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Field Crops

Cotton planting is 20 percent complete, 8 percentage points ahead of the five year average. Small grain acreage is at least 35 percent headed across the State. Alfalfa harvest remains active on three-quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions are mostly fair to excellent, depending on location. Range and pasture conditions across the State remain mostly poor to good, depending on location and elevation.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week central Arizona growers shipped cabbage, carrots, greens, miscellaneous herbs, parsley, and spinach. Western Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, miscellaneous Asian vegetables and herbs, parsley, spinach, and citrus. Lettuce shipments included Boston, green leaf, iceberg, red leaf, and romaine.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	0	5	22	21	52
Range and Pasture	1	18	47	27	7

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Cotton				
• Planted	20	15	15	12
Durum Wheat				
• Headed	35	25	37	36
Barely				
• Headed	44	30	42	43

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending April 6. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees below normal at Coolidge and Paloma to 4 degrees above normal at various locations. The highest temperature of the week was 91 degrees at

Yuma, and the lowest reading of 9 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. No precipitation was reported at any of the 22 stations for the second week in a row. Only Canyon De Chelly is currently above normal precipitation for the year to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data
March 31 - April 6, 2008

Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	59	-2	80	37	0.00	2.20	-1.41	61
Buckeye	64	0	84	40	0.00	2.26	-0.08	97
Canyon De Chelly	49	2	69	25	0.00	2.47	0.26	112
Coolidge	61	-3	85	37	0.00	1.49	-1.32	53
Douglas	60	4	84	35	0.00	0.31	-1.40	18
Flagstaff	40	2	60	18	0.00	6.54	-0.58	92
Grand Canyon	38	3	62	9	0.00	4.35	-3.05	59
Kingman	54	-1	73	32	0.00	2.93	-0.17	95
Marana	65	2	86	45	0.00	1.67	-1.61	51
Maricopa	65	2	86	41	0.00	1.49	-1.00	60
Paloma	62	-3	84	40	0.00	1.06	-1.40	43
Parker	66	-2	88	40	0.00	1.11	-0.85	57
Payson	50	1	73	29	0.00	5.63	-1.01	85
Phoenix	70	4	85	55	0.00	1.97	-0.37	84
Prescott	50	4	68	29	0.00	4.25	-0.91	82
Roll	65	1	87	41	0.00	0.65	-0.19	77
Safford	61	3	84	37	0.00	1.50	-0.42	78
St. Johns	50	2	72	22	0.00	1.23	-1.04	54
Tucson	65	3	85	47	0.00	1.76	-0.60	75
Willcox	58	4	83	33	0.00	1.05	-1.25	46
Winslow	52	3	74	27	0.00	1.50	-0.09	94
Yuma	72	4	91	51	0.00	0.35	-0.49	42

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

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